THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The Government of India through Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is already implementing the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) in the country for promotion and development of Khadi and Village Industries including agro and rural industries. Under this scheme, the KVIC provides margin money assistance at the rate of 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for projects above 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakhs, rate of margin money is 25% of 10 lakhs plus 10% on remaining cost of the project. In the case of SC/ST/OBC/Women/Physical Handicapped/Ex-Servicemen and Minority Community beneficiary/institution and for hill border and tribal areas, North-Eastern Region, Sikkim, Andaman and Nicobar Island, Lakshadweep, the margin money grant is 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs but above this amount and upto Rs. 25 lakhs it is 30% of 10 lakhs plus 10% of the remaining cost of the project cost. Under this scheme, the beneficiary's contribution is 10% of the project cost. In case of SC/ST/other weaker sections, beneficiary's contribution is 5% of the project cost. This scheme is being implemented through Public Sector banks, Regional Rural Banks etc.

In addition to prompt, promote and synergise efforts of all agencies involved with cluster development of Rural Industrialization, the National Programme on Rural industrialization, has also been started since 01-04-2001.

CBI inquiry on misuse of modular laboratories

2552. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government had ordered a CBI inquiry to investigate the misuse of Modular laboratory No. 3-319-S, Trombay, Mumbai during the year 2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the CBI has since submitted the report;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir. There has been no misuse of modular laboratories No.3-319-S, Trombay, Mumbai.

(b) to (e) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Misuse of BARC laboratories

2553. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU) : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether instances of gross misuse of BARC's laboratories in the recent past by Government authorities for unofficial purposes, have come to Government's notice;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Do not arise in view of (a) above

Installation of Nuclear Power Plants

2554. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI :
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nuclear Power Corporation of India has surveyed the sites for the location of nuclear power plants for electricity generation in power deficient States;

(b) if so, the sites identified and how much power generation is being targeted;

(c) whether any site for the State of Madhya Pradesh has been identified;

(d) whether any time schedule has been finalised for the installation and commissioning of these plants; and